

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A piston pin having a low friction coating thereupon, said coating comprising:

a vapor deposited coating comprising doped chromium nitride, said coating being disposed upon at least a portion of said piston pin.

2-4 (Canceled)

5. (Original) The piston pin of claim 1, wherein said vapor deposited coating is polished.

6. (Original) The piston pin of claim 1 wherein the coating is deposited as a plurality of layers.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Original) The piston pin of claim 1, wherein said vapor deposited coating is a coating which is deposited by a process selected from the group consisting of: physical vapor deposition, chemical vapor deposition, evaporation, plasma assisted chemical vapor deposition, arc vapor deposition, and combinations thereof.

9-22 (Canceled)